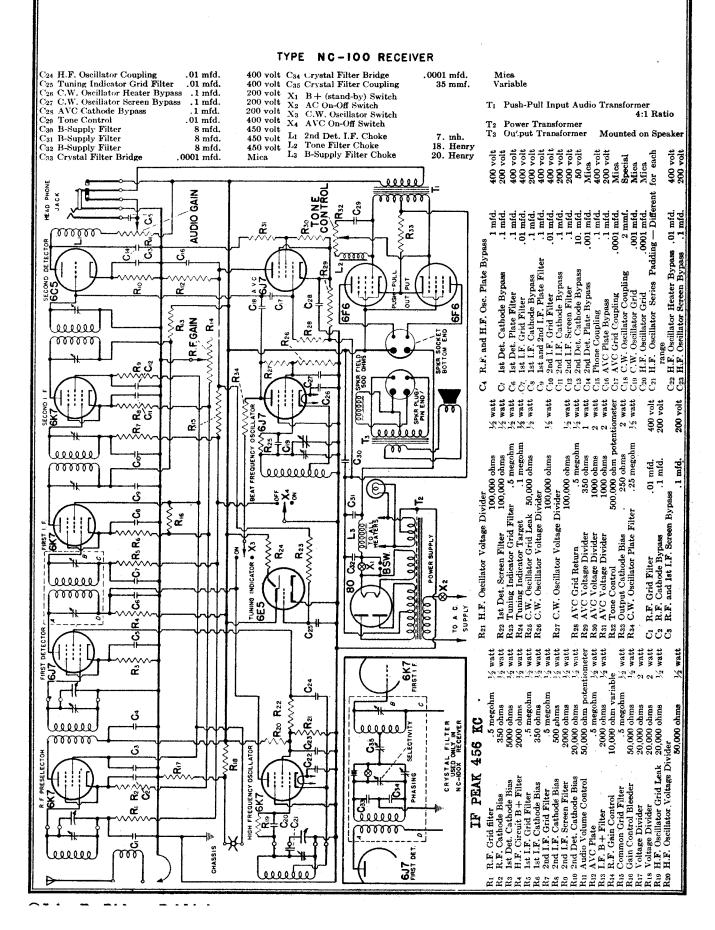
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Preliminary Adjustments — The I.F.

All the I.F. transformers are now adjusted for maximum signal. This adjustment need not be made with any great degree of precision, since the crystal will not oscillate at exactly the same frequency to which it will be resonant in the receiver. The Phasing control should be set at "0".

The I.F. adjustments are indicated on the layout diagram, page 4; Nos. 4 to 8 (inclusive).

The crystal filter output coupling condenser, adjustment No. 3, serves as a fixed I.F. gain

control and, in general, should not be touched.

The crystal may now be removed from the oscillator and installed in the receiver. Throw the switch to connect the crystal for single signal reception. Set the selectivity control for maximum selectivity; that is, with the pointer rotated all the way to the right. Now, tune in a steady signal from a local oscillator or monitor. Tuning very slowly across the carrier, there should be one point at which the signal will peak very sharply. The audio pitch of this peak will be nearly the same as the pitch of the beat used when the crystal oscillator was being picked up.

The final adjustment of the I.F. transformers may now be made. Set the control for maximum

selectivity, carefully tune in a steady signal until it is exactly on the crystal peak, and adjust each of the I.F. transformer tuning condensers for maximum signal strength. (In almost all cases where the I.F. amplifier has once been aligned to the crystal, this check is all that would be required, and it is not necessary to put the crystal in an external oscillator.) Even if the I.F. amplifier is considerably out of alignment, the crystal frequency may be found by employing a strong local signal from a monitor or frequency meter, slowly tuning across it while listening for a peak in the audio beat note. If the peak is found at a very high audio pitch it will be necessary to change the tuning of the beat oscillator so that the audio peak will be well inside the limits of audibility. It is probable that if the peak signal is found at all, the I.F. amplifier will not be far out of tune and the readjustments required will be small.

## R.F. and H.F. Oscillator Alignment

Complete alignment of any one coil range is made as follows: Set the tuning dial near the high frequency end of the range between 470 and 490, check the dial reading against the calibration curve by means of an accurate test oscillator or a signal of known frequency; readjustment should be made if the dial reading is in error by more than five or six divisions. In checking the error, disregard the numbers between 495 and 500.

Correction for calibration is made by adjustment of the high frequency oscillator trimmer (nearest the front of the receiver).

With calibration correct at the high frequency end of the range, the dial should be rotated toward the lower numbers. The background noise may vary slightly over the range but should not get appreciably weaker except in the case of the .54 to 1.3 mc. coils. Ganging is checked by pressing one of the outside rotor plates of the oscillator condenser sideways toward the stator, but not enough to make the plates touch. The same check may be applied to the first detector and R.F. tuning condensers. Any bending of the rotor plates should make the background noise definitely weaker. A similar check can, of course, be made by bending the rotor plates out, away from the stator, care being taken not to bend the plates so far that they will not return to their original

On the two highest frequency ranges, it may be possible to make the initial oscillator adjustment incorrectly. There are two settings of the oscillator trimmer condenser which will tune in the desired signal at the proper point on the dial; of these, the higher frequency setting (least trimmer capacity) is correct. In checking the ganging of the 13.5 to 30. mc. range, the R.F. condenser has little effect upon the background noise at the low frequency end of the scale and at this one point it is better to use a test signal. Should any error in tracking be found on one range, it is probable that the same error will be present on all ranges and correction may be made by permanently bending the rotor plates of the tuning condenser section in question.

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